

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 91

Introduced by Assembly Member Papan

February 5, 1998

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 91—Relative to European American Heritage Month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 91, as introduced, Papan. European American Heritage Month.

This measure would recognize the month of October 1998 as European American Heritage Month.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, There are approximately 188 million
2 European Americans in the United States, and 16 million
3 Californians of European ancestry; and
4 WHEREAS, This diaspora is diverse in religious beliefs;
5 and
6 WHEREAS, This diaspora represents diverse
7 ethnicities including Anglo-Saxon, Armenian, Basque,
8 Celtic, Gallic, Germanic, Greek, Iberian, Italic,
9 Scandinavian, and Slavic; and
10 WHEREAS, This diaspora is diverse in country of origin
11 and comes from an area commonly referred to as Europe
12 that is bounded by land west of the Ural Mountains, north
13 of the Mediterranean Sea, east of the Atlantic Ocean, and
14 south of the Arctic Ocean; and

1 WHEREAS, This diaspora has led to the establishment
2 of public and private institutions in the United States that
3 are praised by people everywhere in the world; and

4 WHEREAS, The tremendous contributions by
5 European Americans in the field of engineering, science,
6 and medicine have changed the face of this planet; and

7 WHEREAS, The European American population is
8 projected to be a minority by the year 2000 in California
9 and by 2050 in the United States; and

10 WHEREAS, Currently there is no official recognition
11 by governmental agencies and public schools of a
12 specially designated heritage month for European
13 Americans; and

14 WHEREAS, There is official recognition for other
15 national origin, continent origin, and ethnic groups in
16 California; now, therefore, be it

17 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the*
18 *Senate thereof concurring,* That in the interest of fairness
19 and diversity, the Legislature of the State of California
20 recognizes the month of October 1998 as European
21 American Heritage Month to honor and celebrate our
22 European American heritage; and be it further

23 *Resolved,* That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly
24 transmit copies of this resolution to the author for
25 appropriate distribution.

